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ROAD TO McGEHEE

In the near future Rohwer residents will be able to make a comfortable journey to McGehee.

According to Congressman W. F. Norrell, needed repairs on Highway No. 1, the road from McGehee to Rohwer, will be made through a directive issued by the Secretary of War.

"The project involves the resurfacing of the drainage system on 12.4 miles from Highway 65 at McGehee to Rohwer."

The estimated cost is \$65,000, the Federal Government paying 75 per cent and State, 25 per cent.

....McGehee Times

P.O. CLARIFIES MAIL CONFUSION

The correct address is still Relocation, Ark.

Probably the reason for the recent confusion is the inability of the McGehee post office workers to recognize the new address.

However, residents who desire to do so may make their return addresses Relocation Branch, McGehee, Ark.

KNOW YOUR QUEEN

Votes for the current queen contest are coming in fast and furious, reports the Royal Dukes, sponsors.

The surprise of the week was Rosie Matsumoto's phenomenal climb from tenth to second place. Steady Kimi Yamada held on to her top place position.

Thursday night, Feb. 25, is the deadline for all votes. Ballots are being collected every Monday and Thursday mornings at the block offices.

The following is the latest standing with a few pertinent figures about the contestants.

NAME	AGE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HOMETOWN
Kimi Yamada	20	5' 1½"	105	Stookton
Rosie Matsumoto	20	5' 2"	106	Compton
Shigeko Nakano	17	5' 3"	105	Los Angeles
Jitsuko Kimoto	19	5' 3"	110	Norwalk
Doris Yuki	18	5' 3"	109	Lodi
Bonnie Masuda	18	5' 3½"	107	Los Angeles
Yaeko Sato	17	5' 2"	104	Los Angeles
Terry Oga	19	5' 1"	105	Lodi
Janice Uyeda	19	5' 1"	105	Stookton
Marian Yamamoto	17	5' 2"	106	San Pedro
Maisie Horikiri	19	5' 1½"	110	Clearwater

NEW SIGN-UP METHOD

Revised Schedule to Speed Registration; Q28 Changed

Under the revised method of registration, three blocks will be covered in a day. The interviewers will be divided into three groups and each will begin at 8:30 a.m. and stay until the registration is completed in their respective mess halls.

Today registration will be at Blocks 7, 10 and 23. Thereafter, the schedule will be as follows: Thursday--Blocks 8, 24, (9); Friday--26, 38, (25); Saturday--39, 41, (40); Monday--34, 32, (33); Tuesday--27, 20, (28); and Wednesday--19, 29, (17).

A meeting will be held the night before registration at 7:30 o'clock in the last named block in parentheses in each series. In Block 33 the meeting will be held on Sunday night.

In order to alleviate confusion the term "application" has been changed to "information for leave clearance." Registrants are under no obligation to leave the Center after receiving their clearance.

Question 28 in Form 126 for aliens has been changed to read, "Will you swear to abide by the laws of the United States and to take no action which would in any way interfere with the war effort of the United States?"

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DISTRICT WORKER PLAN ADOPTED

Instead of individual block laborers the Center will now be divided into six districts, announced the Public Works division. Each section will have a district engineer who will be in direct charge of all work within his zone.

The maximum of six men will be allowed from each block, making a total of 36 men within a district. These workers may be shifted from one block to another within their particular zones, but they will not have to go outside their section.

This new arrangement will enable the district engineer to shift his workers around to obtain the best result. It will also help out those blocks who are unable to find sufficient laborers to do their own work.

Blocks 1, 2, 15, 16, 17 and 29 form District 1; Blocks 3, 4, 5, 12, 13 and 14, District 2; Blocks 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, District 3.

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CANTEEN SELLS COUPON BOOK

Arrangements have been made for the sale of coupon books at the canteen.

The scripts in denominations of \$2.50 and \$5 will also be sold at block offices 5, 9, 15, 28, 38 and 41. Coupon books will not be sold to anyone under 18.

Maryknoll Catholic Leader Assists In Forming Church

Father Hugh Lavery of the Los Angeles Maryknoll church arrived at the Center Saturday and stayed until yesterday to help establish the Rohwer Catholic church.

He conducted the Catholic mass which was attended by 150 residents Sunday in Mess hall 31. An official reception was given for him by Center Maryknollers Monday at 7:30 p.m. in Mess hall 32.

Father Lavery will visit Camp Livingston, La., and the Granada relocation project before returning to Los Angeles.

According to Jack Kiba, assistant director of community activities, regular Catholic services will begin soon in PS hall 11 when Father Swift arrives from the LA Maryknoll to head the church temporarily.

CLUB NOTES

● Clarification was made that contrary to former notices, the Rohwering 20's are not known as the Rohwer 20's or Roaring 20's.

● The Luana's, a girls' club, was organized recently with black and yellow as their colors.

Officers are Maisie Horikiri, president; Mildred Ikazoe, vice president; Florence Shimazaki, secretary-treasurer; and Michi Tanaka, publicity manager.

Adviser is Yaye Mori. The members will meet Sunday, 1:30 p.m. in PS hall 3.

Non-citizen Has Second Choice

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Statutes? Non-citizens, however, may still answer the present question if they prefer either by a straight 'yes' or 'no' or by a qualified answer.

Districts' Block Numbers Released

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District 3; Blocks 23, 24, 25 and 26; District 4; Blocks 19, 20, 27, 28, 32 and 41; District 5; and Blocks 33, 34, 35, 38, 39 and 40; District 6.

The district system will not go into effect until the district engineers are chosen, either by appointment or by election. The main work of the laborers will be the drainage problem.

SCA Chooses First Cabinet

The Student Christian association elected its cabinet at the Valentine party which featured folk and social dancing Friday night in Mess hall 20.

Officers are Lincoln Shimidzu, president; Hannah Ohashi, vice president; Rosie Matamoto, secretary; and Kiyoshi Shimakawa, treasurer.

WINNER IN MAH JONG REVEALED

Chimata Sumida won first prize in the initial Center mah jong tournament held Saturday in PS hall 23.

Runners-up were Katsuzo Shiraishi, second place; Kaname Iwahashi, third; Mantaro Kobayakawa, fourth; and Fred Misaki, fifth.

A mah jong club will be organized soon.

ROHWER TRANSMITTER ASKS FOR ARTICLES

With the first edition of the Rohwer Transmitter, an official bulletin of the RFOG, to be issued Sunday, all members were asked to turn in their contributions to the Rev. Harper Sakane, 16-11-B, or to Joy Kumagai, 11-4-F, by tomorrow.

Articles for this Washington's birthday edition may also be brought to the Senior and College-Age Bible study meeting tonight at 7:15 o'clock in PS hall 15. The Junior group will meet at 2 p.m. in PS hall 12, Saturdays, instead of Wednesdays.

ROHWER YMCA MEETS TO DISCUSS PROGRAM

In order to advance further the YM program here, the Rohwer YMCA board will meet tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. in 5-3-D, home of Sam Minami, temporary chairman.

GUESTS

SERVICEMEN:

Cpl. Kenji Nakahara, Pys. Yoshio Honoo, Masao Sumida, Isamu Kida, Tanaka Ishihara, John Kasano, Camp Robinson, Ark.; Pvt. Harumi Owashi, Camp Hale, Colo.; PFC Tommy Omaye, Camp Livingston, La.; Cpl. Ken Kaneoka, Camp Barkley, Texas; PFC Elji Matsuo, Camp Grant, Ill.; Cpl. Jimmy Suyehara, Fort Riley, Kan.; PFCs Tom Sano, Toshio Manabe, Pys. Marshall Inana, Mitsuru Morita, Fort Sill, Okla.

Red Cross Unit Calls Meeting

To organize the various Red Cross project committees and select the respective chairmen, the Rohwer Red Cross group will meet Friday, 7:30 p.m., in 31-1-F.

Executive committeemen and all those interested in Red Cross work are urged to attend.

GIRL SCOUTS HOLD VALENTINE SOCIAL

Under a sky of hanging hearts, Girl scout leaders and their guests gathered for the Valentine social Friday night in Mess hall 33.

Special guests included troop committeemen and members of the administrative and teaching staff. Patron and patroness were Dr. and Mrs. Yayoshi.

CROWD ATTENDS HOP TO HONOR WINNERS

At the Bussel Victory Award-Valentine hop Sunday night, over 250 Centerites passed through the 'portals of the heart' to honor the victors of the YBA basketball tournament and the men's and women's ping pong tournaments.

Recipients of awards were the Lodi Golden Avalanches, basketball champions; the Ping and Five's, men's ping pong victors; and the Stockton YW's, women's ping pong winners.

Presentation of awards, dancing and refreshments highlighted the social emceed by Allen Hagio.

OUTSIDE JOBS Now Available

Girl wanted in River Forest, Ill., \$15 a week plus room and board.

Girl wanted in Chicago, Ill., \$52.50 a month with \$2.50 increase every six months.

Couple or two girls wanted in Chicago, Ill., \$125 a month.

Jobs within this Center are as follows:

Plumbers and plumbers' helpers (free overalls); janitors, bakers, mess steward and swamper.

All interested are referred to Herschel Abbott in ad building 2.

RED CROSS UNIT TO BE FORMED

Following the Red Cross state conference held last week in Hot Springs and attended by four Rohwer representatives, Mrs. Audrey Bassett, regional director of the Red Cross, visited the Center yesterday.

She discussed the official organization of a Red Cross unit here and also plans for the national Red Cross War Fund drive which will start next month.

Vigilance in Handling All Fire Hazards Requested by Miller

"Outside fires used for boiling wood and roots are being left burning at night unattended. This practice must be stopped at once as a high wind would endanger buildings and property.

"Ashes from stoves should be carried to outside areas of blocks to be emptied because of the danger of live coals being left in ashes to be blown about, thereby creating a serious fire hazard.

"Inflammable materials such as wood, kindling and paper boxes should not be kept closer to stoves than the concrete base on which the stove sits."

Hays Miller, Fire Protection Officer

STORED CARS UNDER INVESTIGATION

FRESNO, CALIF.--According to an AP news release, preparations are being made by the current Tenney joint-legislative committee of California on subversive activities to open a statewide series of hearings here in about two weeks to determine whether any of the Japanese owners of cars in storage engaged in subversive activities.

"Our primary objective is to learn whether any of

TWELVE MORE LEAVE AS RELOCATION PROGRESSES

The penetration of Americans with Japanese faces into Mid-Western communities continued this week as twelve Rohwer evacuees left or were to leave soon for new jobs, new homes and new schools.

Jun Agari, Harley Umeda, Masayuki Nagai, Tadao Tabo Satow and Henry Hiromu Arata leave today for Chicago, Ill., to work as nurserymen.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Okimoto, formerly of San Francisco, left Sunday for White Bear Lake, Minn., where they will be employed as domestic workers. Domestic work will also claim Saohiko Takahashi, formerly of Los Angeles, who will leave today for Minneapolis, Minn.

Mary Mutsuye Funamura, formerly of Lodi, leaves today for Denver, Colo., where she will become the bride of Ralph Iyemura.

Victor Nobuyuki Ito, formerly of Stockton, left Sunday for the St. Louis College of Pharmacy, St. Louis, Mo. John Hiramoto, formerly of Lodi, leaves tomorrow for the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Ill. William Toru Takei will depart on Feb. 23 for the Indiana Technical college, Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Now Showing

The schedule through tomorrow is as follows:

PS hall 5--"Saint at Palm Springs"

PS hall 10--"Get Hep for Love"

PS hall 33--"Gunga Din" From Friday through Tuesday, the schedule is:

PS hall 5--"Get Hep for Love"

PS hall 10--"Gunga Din"

PS hall 33--"Saint at Palm Springs"

CALL FOR NISEI REVUE TALENTS

Calling all talents, the first audition for the "Center All-Nisei Revue" slated for next month will be held today at 7:30 p.m. in 35-3-A.

Instrumentalists, singers, dancers and all others talented are urged to come out by John Ty Saito, of the young people's division.

VITAL STATISTICS

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Tadahiro Hagiwara, 13-9-F, a boy, Kenichi, on Feb. 13.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Komao Kinoshita, 29-2-A, a boy on Feb. 14.

MARRIED: Shizuko Morita, 21, 24-4-F, to Masaaki Yonemura, 29, on Feb. 13.

DIED: Matagoro Matsuda, 71, 41-5-D, on Feb. 15.

the owners of these stored cars have engaged in un-American activities," Senator Hugh M. Burns of Fresno said. "Tenney instructed me to make arrangements for the first hearing, to be held in Fresno in about two weeks, and we expect to start subpoenaing witnesses within a few days.

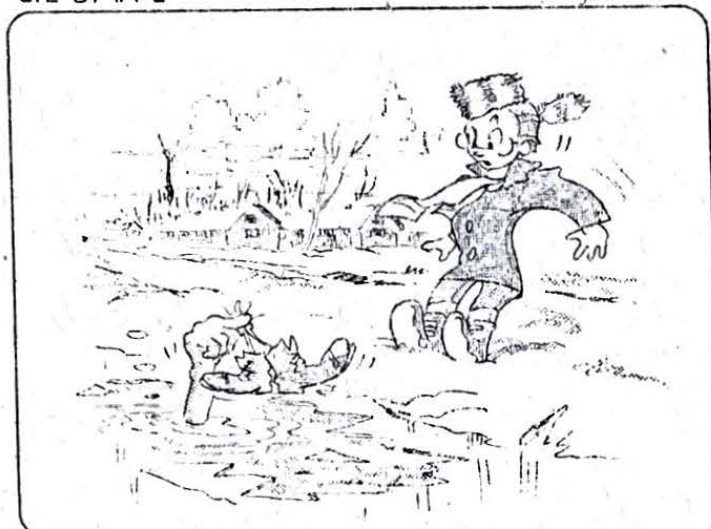
"We will be interested in learning whether any of these thousands of cars now in storage were used

by subversive elements in carrying out their underground work, and why, if possible, none of these cars or tires was offered to the government for the war effort, in view of the rubber shortage."

Burns and Combs conferred with the Office of Price Administration officials on the number and location of automobiles stored in Fresno county and other San Joaquin counties.

LIL DAN'L

J. g. Akimoto

SMOKE
SIGNALS

PACIFIC CITIZEN.....

Saburo Kido, JACL national president, was brutally beaten by eight evacuees at the Poston center Colorado kills bill which would have barred Asiatic aliens from owning land.....A major is said to be the highest ranking Japanese-American in the army....."American Legion asks for seizure of farm implements of evacuees."

GRANADA.....

Aided by a short concert by the senior high school band, \$485 worth of war bonds and stamps was sold in one afternoon.....Susie Onomiyama is probably the only girl evacuee to boast the possession of a real gold plated fireman's badge ...Members of the fire department presented it to their secretary in appreciation of her services.

HEART MOUNTAIN.....

Two thousand acres of land are expected to be cleared in a month in preparation for the coming farming season....300 cards issued on opening day of library.....Kindergarten classes opened as 15 tiny tots attend first session. All-star basketball team travels to meet the Lovell Westwood Indians in an exhibition infantile paralysis benefit contest.

TOPAZ.....

Public library to open 1000-volume Japanese section....Topaz troupe presents 2-hour "varieties of '43" to an audience practically of the entire population of Oak City....City board of commissioners established to handle the administrative duties of the community government.

GILA.....

Rumors that Gila is to be vacated and changed into an army camp are false, announced the project director.....201 vehicles are now used daily in various divisions.

EDITORIAL

THE WAR AND RATIONING

Wars -- cursed afflictions known to all generations -- may be said to be caused by the failure of humanity to recognize the attestations of idealistic democracy.

Era upon era, century upon century and even decades upon decades, these gangrenous undergrowths, bred by racial animosity and blind individualism, have built up obstructions to progress and have turned to red the 'green light' in all fields--whether it be political, social or economical.

America and the world today faces another plague, ever ready to sap all worldly resources, decimate populations and undermine culture. On widespread carnage fields stringing from bomb-torn Kharkov to the shark-infested South Seas, a battle for Four Freedoms is being fought.

But wartime liabilities are not only marked "expendable" in men, munitions and materials.

On the home fronts, it means personal sacrifices through long hours, less pleasure and stringent rationing.

The relocation centers, contrary to fallacious rumors, have not been left out in making personal sacrifices. Here and in nine other similar projects, residents who have seen their life work disappear before their eyes are working at various tasks, earning \$12, \$16 or \$19 per month.

Rationing here is just as stringent as those faced by citizens on the outside and even more so since goods not as yet rationed are difficult to obtain in the centers. We have sugar and coffee rations; we have our meatless days and rationed oleomargarine; and we feel the pinch of shoe-rationing.

We in Rohwer have notched up our belts to meet this shortage, but the war may not end tomorrow or the day after; so we are prepared to tighten up our belts with the rest of the Americans.

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YBA TOURNAMENT ALL-STARS NAMED

Three members of the championship Lodi Golden Avalanches landed on the OUTPOST's tournament all-star basketball five.

The Stockton Cards, who

battled Lodi in the finals, placed two stars.

The tournament's stand-outs were Baishiki, who sank 30 pts. in three games, and ball-hawking Will Kagawa.

NAME	TEAM	POS
Sad Baishiki,	Cards.....	F
Sanji Fukuyama,	Cards.....	F
Will Kagawa,	Lodi.....	C
Ioh Horimoto,	Lodi.....	G
Jimmie Hayashi,	Lodi.....	G

LODI WINS YBA CAGE CROWN AVALANCHES STOP BOJANGLES 29-25

LODI TRIUMPHS IN OPENER

Cool and unruffled by the ever-dangerous Los Angeles Bojangles, the fast Lodi Golden Avalanches took a 29-25 thriller to get off to a flying start in the National league basketball opener Saturday.

The Bojangles held a close 9-7 half-time lead but lost in the final two periods as the Lodi quintet went on a scoring spree to ring twenty points. Fighting desperately the Bojangles, however, knotted the count in the last quarter when Dave Komatsu sent in two lay-in shots, but Ioh Horimoto immediately retaliated with two quick baskets to cinch the battle. Horimoto and George Kagawa potted 8 points apiece, all in the second half, to grab scoring honors. Dave Komatsu and Sam Nakamoto led the losers with 6 points each.

Box Score

GOLDEN AVALANCHES

	Fg	Ft	F	Pt
M. Takeuchi, f	3	0	3	6
G. Kagawa, f	4	1	3	9
S. Horimoto, o	0	0	0	0
I. Horimoto, g	3	2	0	8
J. Hayashi, g	1	0	0	2
M. Urakami, f	0	0	0	0
H. Oshima, f	0	0	1	0
K. Hiramoto, f	0	0	0	0
W. Kagawa, o	2	0	0	4
G. Yamashita, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	13	3	7	29

BOJANGLES

	Fg	Ft	F	Pt
S. Mizufuka, f	2	0	0	4
T. Senzaki, f	0	1	1	1
Y. Aochi, o	2	0	3	4
D. Komatsu, g	3	0	0	6
S. Nakamoto, g	2	2	1	6
P. Ihara, f	1	0	1	2
T. Ihara, o	1	0	1	2
K. Uyematsu, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	3	7	25



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OVERTIME

GREEN HORNS 4 HAWTHORNE 2

By Thomas Nakamura

Swishing of the oasaba hoop occurred irregularly in an overtime game which almost resulted in a scoreless tilt, as the Block 20 Green Horns edged the Hawthorne Y Jrs. by the narrow margin of 4-2 in the National league opener.

Many field goal attempts were made by both quintets but scoring was practically limited to nil. The low scoring accuracy percentage was partially blamed on the gale-like wind sweeping through the outside court.

The players predited for a bucket apiece in the 6-point contest were Hawthorne Y's Tamura and Green Horns' Eddie Wakimoto and Yamasaki.

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Cage Sign-up Ends Today

With the opening of the girls' oasaba season in league competition scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 28, all teams having intentions of playing are urged to sign up at PS hall 32.

The deadline for entries is today, announced Babs Inamasu, director of girls' basketball.

HORIMOTO PACES LODI TO CROWN

Controlling everything from the backboard to the number of eagers involved, the Lodi YMBA Golden Avalanches sped through the bewildered defense of Stockton YMBA Cardinals to win the Rohwer YBA basketball tournament championship 35-26 Sunday.

The speedy Avalancho hooplas paced by the unerring one-hand shooting of oalm Ioh Horimoto, who pumped the basket for 8 points in the first half, ran away with the game and at half-time enjoyed a comfortable 14-2 lead.

Bespectacled Sad Baishiki, Cardinals' jumping forward, however, brought the loser some consolation when he took the title game's scoring honor with 16 points, all in the futile second half.

Box Score

GOLDEN AVALANCHES

	Fg	Ft	F	Pt
M. Takeuchi, f	5	0	0	10
G. Kagawa, f	1	0	0	2
W. Kagawa, o	2	0	1	4
J. Hayashi, g	4	1	0	9
I. Horimoto, g	4	0	3	8
M. Urakami, f	0	0	0	0
H. Oshima, f	0	0	0	0
K. Hiramoto, f	0	0	0	0
S. Horimoto, o	1	0	0	2
G. Yamashita, g	0	0	0	0
S. Iohiba, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	17	1	4	35

CARDINALS

	Fg	Ft	F	Pt
S. Fukuyama, f	3	0	1	6
D. Fujii, f	0	0	1	0
S. Baishiki, o	7	2	0	16
A. Hagio, g	0	0	0	0
R. Hattori, g	0	0	0	0
B. Chikaraishi, f	1	0	0	2
F. Masai, g	0	0	0	0
E. Tomoda, g	1	0	3	2
K. Ito, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	12	2	5	26



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CARDS DOWN YANKS IN SEMI-FINALS

By Thomas Nakamura

Threatening to upset the highly touted Stockton Cardinals during the entire Rehwer YBA tournament's semi-final contest, the YMAA Jr. Yanks displayed team potentiality by conceding defeat to an 18-13 decision.

Fielding a surprisingly strong quintet regardless of their youthfulness, the Yanks, led by forward Hosen Oshita and center Tad Yanagi, gave a great deal of competition to the veteran Cards.

Constantly attempting to surge ahead to establish a dominant lead, the Cards lacked perfect coordination but managed to pile up 18 points with center Sad Baishiki accounting for 6 digits.

CARDS (18) -- D. Fujii 4, F. Kamibayashi, F. Masai 2, B. Chikaraishi, S. Baishiki 6, A. Hagio, E. Tomoda 3, R. Hattori 3, K. Ito, B. Saiki.

YANKS (13) -- H. Oshita 5, T. Yanagi 4, Y. Matsumoto, Y. Fujimura, N. Tanimoto, D. Hisaka, T. Matsumoto 2, H. Oga, G. Tsusaki 2, J. Oshima.

FOURTEEN TEAMS SIGNED IN PING PONG TOURNEY

Fourteen teams have signed up for the Center-wide five-man team ping pong tournament to be held Sunday, announced Tat Iwata, chairman of the tourney.

One representative from each team is requested to report to PS hall 27 at 9 a.m., Sunday, to draw for first-round opponents.

A call for more signups

Block 4 Drubs Block 5, 50-29

Paced by Tak Kawagoe's 34 points, the hot Block 4 quintet ran hog wild through the hapless Skunk Hollow eagles from Block 5 to the merry tune of 50-29 in a non-league tilt Saturday afternoon.

for the all-Center girls' ping pong tournament scheduled for Saturday is being sounded by Grace Hagio, girls' ping pong commissioner. The five-girl teams are unrestricted, so all quintets are asked to sign up with Miss Hagio at PS hall 27.

Horseshoe Contest Scheduled

An all-Center singles and doubles horseshoe tournament is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, March 6 and 7, and 13 and 14.

Singles will be held on the first week end while doubles will be held on the following week end.

Signup ends for doubles at 5 p.m., Mar. 3, and singles 5 p.m., Mar. 10, at PS hall 27.

Box Score

GREEN HORNS

	Fg	Ft	F	Pt
F. Sakamoto, f	0	0	0	0
E. Wakimoto, f	1	0	0	2
B. Hattori, c	0	0	0	0
T. Kubota, g	0	0	0	0
S. Hayashi, g	0	0	2	0
J. Sakamoto, f	0	0	0	0
J. Yamasaki, g	1	0	0	2
J. Matsuoka, f	0	0	0	0
F. Kurata, f	0	0	0	0
Totals	2	0	2	4

HAWTHORNE Y's

	Fg	Ft	F	Pt
Yamasaki, f	0	0	0	0
Morita, f	0	0	0	0
Tamura, c	1	0	0	2
Ishii, g	0	0	0	0
Shiozaki, g	0	0	0	0
M. Fujita, f	0	0	0	0
Sagara	0	0	1	0
Hasegawa	0	0	0	0
Chino	0	0	0	0
S. Fujita	0	0	0	0
Totals	1	0	1	2

CAGE MEETING

An important basketball managers' meeting of block teams will be held Friday night at PS hall 27 from 7:30 p.m., announced commissioner Henry Sato.

The league will be limited, so all managers who intend to file entries were requested to attend without fail.

GUNS SEIZED MAY GO TO WAR USE

Editor's note: The following story is from the San Francisco Chronicle of Feb. 7 and was written by Jerry Wallace.

Guns and ammunition for home defense can be obtained in a way as yet untried. That way is similar to the one whereby automobile tires, too, can be made available for loyal citizens in California. It is to take the property of the Japanese who have been interned.

Reasons even more cogent can be advanced for doing this in the case of firearms and cartridges than in the case of automobile

equipment. Why should good guns be allowed to rust and deteriorate in storage when members of the State Militia, Civilian Defense units and high school cadets need them? We recognize that many of the guns taken from the Japanese resident in this country are not suitable for men in our regular armed services. Some of them, though, are Springfield and were in serviceable condition when seized. They might well be inspected, cleaned, oiled and placed en route to the combat fronts.

Some people think the

guns which the Japanese accumulated were "junk." Such persons do not know their penchant for getting the best obtainable. We have personally seen mighty expensive rifles and pistols in their possession. Was it just by accident that they adopted the procedure of buying firearms which would do execution at long distances instead of "scatter guns" of shorter effective range?

Can this property be taken by the Government and used for such purposes in time of war? If we read our books correctly in law school, it can.